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THE GRAND JURY

REPORTS EVERYTHING O. K.

Except the Public Buildings and the Casa Grande Ruin.

We are indebted to county recorder Devine for the following reports:

To the Hon. C. G. French, Judge of the First Judicial District of the Territory of Arizona:

We, the grand jury, beg leave to report, as follows: Of the cases brought before us, we find the following indictments—One for manslaughter and one for attempt to commit murder. In the case of the Territory vs. Mrs. E. A. Jones, we recommend that the case be held over for the next grand jury, owing to the absence of some material witnesses.

We also submit to your consideration the several reports of committees appointed to examine into the affairs of the county.

We further beg to draw your attention to several documents submitted for the consideration of this grand jury by Col. Chas. D. Poston, relating to the ruins of Arizona in general, and to the "Casa Grande," in particular.

AARON MASON,

Foreman Grand Jury.

Florence, A. T., Nov. 12, 1878.

COURT HOUSE COMMITTEE.

To Mr. Aaron Mason, Foreman of the Grand Jury:

We, as a committee, having been appointed to examine the court house and public buildings and make a report thereon will say: That we found the court house in a very unsatisfactory state. The walls having been left uncovered, have been damaged by the rains, and the adobes that have not been laid in the walls are nearly all ruined. The lumber we found in very good condition, and also the building used as a school room. If there are funds sufficient in the treasury to complete the court house we, as a committee, would advise that it be done at once; and if there are not sufficient funds, we would advise that some way be taken to raise funds enough to complete the building, or at least to have the building covered and protected from the weather. Respectfully,

W. H. BENSON, Chairman.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND COUNTY JAIL.

To Mr. Aaron Mason, Foreman of the Grand Jury:

We, your committee appointed to examine and report upon the condition of the sheriff's office and county jail, 1st—We find the sheriff's books kept in good shape, and everything that could be desired. 2d—We find the county jail totally insecure and inadequate for the purpose. We therefore recommend the speedy construction of a secure jail. We find one prisoner confined for petit larceny, who says he is well treated and has plenty of wholesome food.

JOHN MILLER, Chairman.

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

To Mr. Aaron Mason, Foreman of the Grand Jury:

Your committee on county treasurer have the honor to report, as follows: That upon examination, we had everything pertaining to the office of county treasurer in a very good condition, and reflects much credit on our able treasurer. We have made a thorough and careful examination of all the books, papers, etc., and find the same in a very good condition, such that your committee had no trouble, but could see at a glance the condition of our county finances. We found on hand the following funds, all in separate and distinct amounts, viz.:

General Fund on hand,	\$237.88
Contingent Fund,	88.00
County School Fund, on hand,	150.42
Territorial General Fund,	225.62
County Road Fund, on hand,	2,044.60
Grand total,	\$2,350.92

In conclusion, we desire to express our appreciation of the noble manner in which our treasurer conducts his office, and we congratulate the people of this county in having such an upright and gentlemanly officer serving.

Exerting and conducting the finances of the county. Respectfully,

G. W. NASH,
Chairman.
FRANC. D. SMITH,
HENRY C. BRAY,
Committee.

RECORDER'S OFFICE.

To the Foreman of the Grand Jury:

Your committee appointed to examine into the condition and management of the recorder's office beg leave to report, that they have performed that duty, and found the books and papers of that office kept in a neat, convenient and satisfactory manner. We desire to express our high appreciation of the management of the office by the present incumbent, and to congratulate the people of the county on the condition of affairs in recorder's office.

JAMES BRASH,
M. L. STILES,
JOHN T. MCKEE.

PROBATE JUDGE.

We, the undersigned, committee appointed to examine the books and records of the office of the probate judge and justice of the peace, respectfully inform the foreman of the grand jury, that the aforesaid books and records of the probate judge and justice of the peace are kept in a clean and orderly manner, and that the money for fines imposed on persons for disorderly conduct are paid to the county treasurer by receipt therefrom.

WM. DEMONT,
Chairman.
W. V. ELLIOTT,
H. G. BALLON.

REPORT ON THE "RUINS."

We, the grand jury for Pinal County, Arizona Territory, in session at Florence, the county seat of said county, respectfully represent to your honorable court, that the "Casa Grande," in this county, is the oldest ruin within the jurisdiction of the United States. That the said ruin is failing to decay, and in imminent danger of being destroyed by treasure-seekers and others. We recommend that the Secretary of the Interior (the legal guardian of the public domain of the United States) take possession of the said ruin. We also recommend that an appropriation be made by the Congress of the United States, of the sum of \$10,000, for the protection and restoration of said ruin as a memento of the past. We further submit the propriety of preparing said ruin as a college or educational establishment for the aborigines of the Territory. Respectfully submitted,

AARON MASON,
Foreman Grand Jury.

CHANGING THE SUBJECT.

There were two of them hanging over the front gate the other night. She was standing within the yard, and he on the sidewalk opposite, both leaning on the top rail, and apparently as happy as two pigs in a cornfield. He was saying: "Now, my own little darling, sweet dot of my soul, whose image is ever on my heart"—when he saw the old man coming down the front walk, and continued in a different strain: "The potato bugs haven't destroyed our crops so much since we purchased Paris green, and you will find also that cabbages can be raised better on richer soil?" The old gentleman heard it, and turned back, saying as he entered the house, "These young people take more interest in agricultural affairs than people generally suppose."

"Well, I don't care! Satan was sharp and knew what he was about," said a lady whose husband was holding the first woman responsible for all the trouble in the world. "He knew mighty well that if he offered the apple to Adam first he would eat it all up himself and not give Eve a taste, and so to be sure of getting both into the scrape he gave Eve the first chance at it."

The beauty of a man's passing his hair in the middle appears to be that it gives both ears an equal chance to fl p.

FLORENCE.

Balls and Weddings—Court Proceedings, etc.

Regular Correspondence.

FLORENCE, November 19.—Sociably speaking, the past week has been unusually lively one. Twice have we been attracted to the large dancing pavilion attached to the Cosmopolitan Hotel, which is now under the management of Herr Bechke.

The ball on Wednesday night last was given for the benefit of the Globettes in attendance at Court. It passed off pleasantly. Globe was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Townsend, Messrs. H. S. Wildy, Hayse, Royce, and others. We noticed our kind friend Aaron Mason, of Silver King, enjoying himself hugely.

On Friday, our people were a little amazed, and their curiosity considerably excited, at the report that there was to be a wedding—a double one at that—on that evening. Well, the town turned out and visited the hospitable mansion of Mr. Stiles, aross the river—even Col. Poston, the iconoclast, donned his best, and assisted in celebrating the notable event and give pleasant greeting to the happy couple, Capt. Sharpe and Mrs. Dora Miller. The other couple were young and faint-hearted, so failed to come to time. Music, dancing and refreshments, together with the large gathering, made the event a most pleasant and enjoyable one.

Besides these parties, there has been several private social gatherings.

Court business drags on apace and with the following result, as furnished through the kindness of clerk Devine:

TUESDAY, NOV. 12.

J. F. Rockhold vs. The Miami Mining Co. Plaintiff moved to amend the complaint; three days time granted by the court.

Solomon Shultz vs. Solomon Mund. Hearing of the demurrer in case was set for the 14th inst.

Merritt Reynolds vs. Miami Mining Co. Defendant moved to dismiss action for want of prosecution. Court ordered that the case be dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

L. J. Webster vs. Duryea Water & Mill Co. Demurrer overruled, and two days granted defendant in which to answer.

A. H. Morehead vs. S. M. Webb. Demurrer sustained, and plaintiff allowed to amend.

W. C. O'Boyle vs. J. W. McGowan. Civil action for recovery of certain specific property. Case called and jury empanelled; witnesses examined and argument commenced—further hearing was continued until Monday next.

Territory of Arizona vs. Mrs. E. A. Jones. Defendant admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,500; upon approval and filing of bail bond, defendant will be released from custody.

SATURDAY, NOV. 16.

L. J. Webster vs. Champion S. M. Co. Demurrer overruled, and two days granted defendant in which to answer.

A. H. Morehead vs. S. M. Webb. Demurrer sustained, and plaintiff allowed to amend.

W. C. O'Boyle vs. J. W. McGowan. Civil action for recovery of certain specific property. Case called and jury empanelled; witnesses examined and argument commenced—further hearing was continued until Monday next.

Territory of Arizona vs. John C. Loss. Defendant plead not guilty to the indictment. By request of the district attorney, defendant was ordered by the court to give bond in the sum of \$2,500 for his appearance for trial. The defendant is represented by F. Stanford, of Tucson.

James Hamilton vs. C. H. Hoffman, appellant. Hearing continued for four days.

Court ordered venire to issue for 18 trial jurors, returnable to-morrow at 10 a. m.

A. H. Morehead vs. Sidney M. Webb. Demurrer argued; submitted, and taken under advisement.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 13.

A Townsend et al. vs. E. L. Chilson et al. Defendants moved to withdraw demurrer and file amended answer. Motion granted by the court.

M. J. Logan vs. J. J. Vosburgh. Demurrer argued; submitted, and taken under advisement.

Territory of Arizona vs. Mathew Flynn. Case came on regularly to be heard; a jury of 12 was duly empanelled; after hearing testimony of witnesses and arguments of counsel, the jury were charged by the court and retired in charge of deputy sheriff Meade—returning after an absence of five minutes with a verdict of not guilty. Mr. Flynn was indicted for an assault with intent to commit murder.

J. C. McIntosh vs. Bluebird Mining Co., appellant. Appellant asked the court for an order directing G. A.

Swasey, justice of the peace, to send up all papers used before him on trial of above entitled action. Further hearing continued by order of the court.

E. E. Royce was admitted to practice as an attorney of this court.

T. J. Newland vs. Frank Tarbell. Demurrer argued, sustained and

plaintiff granted one day to file amended complaint.

The grand jury came into court and made final report, and were discharged.

Court adjourned until Friday, the 15th.

FRIDAY, NOV. 15.

Territory of Arizona vs. J. C. Loss. Defendant moved for a continuance until next term of district court. Motion granted, and case continued. Indicted for manslaughter of J. C. Robinson.

Territory of Arizona vs. Acacio Valencio. Defendant brought into court and regularly arraigned on charge of an assault to commit murder, and was granted one day whereupon to answer to the indictment. The defendant was admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,000.

Territory of Arizona vs. Oliver McElroy. On motion of defendant's attorney, and upon recommendation of the district attorney, the defendant was discharged from custody.

James McCaffrey, appellant, vs. C. E. Royce. The appeal in this case was dismissed.

J. H. Archibald vs. Jose Gonzales. Plaintiff having failed to appear, case dismissed.

Territory of Arizona vs. Oliver McElroy. On motion of defendant's attorney, and upon recommendation of the district attorney, the defendant was discharged from custody.

Solomon Shultz vs. Solomon Mund. The hearing of the demurrer in this case was continued.

Wm. Tuttle, administrator of estate of J. R. Upton, vs. Chas. Robinson & Wm. Harvey. Case dismissed in accordance with stipulation.

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